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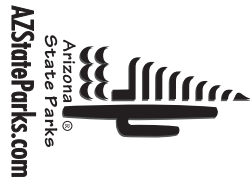


SAVE OUR HERITAGE

ARIZONA ARCHAEOLOGY AND HERITAGE AWARENESS MONTH

MARCH 2010

Statewide Listing of Events



Arizona State Parks

State Historic Preservation Office

1300 W. Washington

Phoenix, Arizona 85007


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AZStateParks.com

Key to abbreviations:

AAS:	Arizona Archaeological Society
ASP:	Arizona State Parks
BLM:	Bureau of Land Management
NPS:	National Park Service
PGM:	Pueblo Grande Museum
SHPO:	State Historic Preservation Office, Arizona State Parks
SWAT:	Southwest Archaeology Team

 Wheelchair accessible

 Suitable for children

Arizona Archaeology and Heritage Awareness Month 2010 Listing of Events

This Listing of Events brochure is sponsored by the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO), Arizona State Parks, and the Governor's Archaeology Advisory Commission.

For more detailed information, call Ann Howard, Public Archaeology Programs Manager, at Arizona State Parks, SHPO, (602) 542-4009 or ahoward@azstateparks.gov.



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Events Schedule by Area, Location, and Date:

CENTRAL ARIZONA


CAVE CREEK

MARCH 6: (1:30 – 3:00 pm)



  **Family Program: "A Miner's Diet: A Good Meal Was Worth More than Gold."** This program includes demonstrations and introduces children and their families to the diet of the miners in the Cave Creek area in the early 19th Century. You can taste miner's cuisine and excavate a mock mining site. Sponsored by the Cave Creek Museum located at 6140 Skyline

Drive, Cave Creek. Take Cave Creek Road north, pass Carefree Highway, and continue north to Skyline Drive. Turn right on Skyline and follow the curve to the left. **CONTACT: EVELYN JOHNSON, (480) 488-2764 or cavecreekmuseum.com.**



MARCH 13: (2 – 3 pm)

 **Lecture: "Stop Orme Dam."** By Rafael Running Bear from the Fort McDowell Yavapai tribe. Meet at the Cave Creek Museum, 6140 Skyline Drive, Cave Creek. Take Cave Creek Road north, pass Carefree Highway, and continue north to Skyline Drive. Turn right on Skyline and follow the curve to the left. **CONTACT: EVELYN JOHNSON, (480) 488-2764 or cavecreekmuseum.com.**

MARCH 21: (1 – 4:30 pm)


  **Open House: Cave Creek Museum.** Free Admission. Sponsored by the Cave Creek Museum located at 6140 Skyline Drive, Cave Creek. Take Cave Creek Road north, pass Carefree Highway, and continue north to Skyline Drive. Turn right on Skyline and follow the curve to the left. **CONTACT: EVELYN JOHNSON, (480) 488-2764 or cavecreekmuseum.com.**

MARCH 27: (9 am – 4 pm)

  **Mini Archaeology Expo at the Spur Cross Ranch Conservation Area (SCRCA).** Sponsored by Desert Foothills Chapter, AAS, the Town of Cave Creek, Cave Creek Museum and SCRCA. Pottery and flintknapping demonstrations plus other hands-on children activities. Some areas are wheelchair accessible. Guided hikes of the Conservation area trails are scheduled through out the day. Hikes require water, sun screen and appropriate hiking shoes. Take Spur Cross Road from Cave Creek Rd. north 4-1/2 miles and follow the signs. **CONTACT: PADDI MOZILO, 480-595-9255 or docqb@yahoo.com**

CHANDLER

MARCH 3: (5 – 6 pm)

 **Guided Tour: Walking Tour of Historic Downtown Chandler.** Learn about the history of downtown Chandler. Sponsored by the City of Chandler's Public History Program. Tours meet 10 minutes before start time; meet at the Starbucks in the San Marcos Hotel Courtyard, 1 North San Marcos Way in downtown Chandler. **CONTACT: MARI DRESNER, (480) 782-2669 or mari.dresner@chandleraz.gov.**

MARCH 13 & 14: (10 am – 4 pm)

📍 Guided Tours: Visit the Ostrich Festival for Tumbleweed Ranch Days. The Chandler Museum will be offering tours of a 1917 farm house/bungalow along with other family-oriented activities. The Festival will be at Tumbleweed Park located at Germann and McQueen Roads. Fees may apply. *CONTACT: MARI DRESNER, (480) 782-2669 or mari.dresner@chandleraz.gov.*

MARCH 18: (5 - 6 pm)

📍 Guided Tour: Historic McCullough-Price House. Come and experience Chandler as it was in the 1920s. Sponsored by the City of Chandler's Public History Program. Tours meet 10 minutes before start time. The McCullough-Price house is located at Chandler Village Drive and Frye Road, just south of Chandler Fashion Center. Fees may apply. *CONTACT: MARI DRESNER, (480) 782-2669 or mari.dresner@chandleraz.gov.*

COOLIDGE

SATURDAYS & SUNDAYS IN MARCH: (9 – 10:30 am)

📍 Site Tours: Backcountry Sites at Casa Grande Ruins National Monument. Special Ranger-guided, 1.5 mile, tours of the backcountry archaeological sites. These sites are normally closed to the public in order to help protect the fragile ruins. Advanced registration is recommended, as the tours are limited to 10 people. Tours visit the prehistoric ball court, Compound B, and an ancient roasting pit or "horno." Regular entrance fees apply. Plan to arrive at the Park Visitor Center by 8:45 am and wear sturdy shoes, as the terrain is uneven. This walk is suitable for children who can walk. Water is recommended. Casa Grande Ruins National Monument, 1100 W. Ruins Drive, Coolidge.
CONTACT: DAVE WINCHESTER, (520) 723-3172 or david_winchester@nps.gov.

CORDES JUNCTION

MARCH 20: (9 am)

📍 Interpretive Hike: The Prehistoric Hackberry Wash Site. Sponsored by the BLM and Friends of the Agua Fria National Monument. Reservations required – tour is limited to 25 people. Bring water, lunch, hiking shoes, and sunscreen. High clearance vehicle required and includes a rough hike over rocky ground. Tour may be postponed in the event of bad weather. *CONTACT: PEGGY BIEGLER, 602-249-4460 or peggy@aguafriafriends.org.*

GLOBE AREA

MARCH 20 & 21: (8 am – 5 pm)

📍 Open House: Trails to Upper and Lower Cliff Dwellings at Tonto National Monument. Sponsored by NPS. Prehistoric technology demonstrations daily. No tour reservations needed (regular entrance fees apply).

Bring water and appropriate hiking shoes. Tonto National Monument, 30 miles northwest of Globe on Highway 188. *CONTACT: SUSAN HUGHES, (928) 467-2241, ext. 23 or susan_hughes@nps.gov.*

MARCH 28 & 29: (9 am – 5 pm)

📍 Open House: Besh Ba Gowah Archaeological Park. Sponsored by Besh Ba Gowah Archaeology Park and the City of Globe. Pottery and basket making demonstrations, along with rock art rubbings and corn grinding, will be featured. Site tours at 10 am and 2 pm. Saturday free, Sunday regular fees apply. 1100 Jesse Hayes Rd., Globe. For more information *CONTACT: LYNNETTE BRANDON, (928) 425-0320 or beshbagowah@cablone.net.*

MESA

MARCH 27: (8 – 11 am)

📍 Family Day at the Mesa Grande Archaeological Site. Sponsored by Arizona Museum of Natural History and Jerry Howard, Ph.D., Curator and Archaeologist, the Mesa Grande Neighborhood Alliance, & the Southwest Archaeology Team. Participate in the grand opening of the new interpretive trail around a large, prehistoric Hohokam temple mound. Take part in prehistoric technology demonstrations and ancient games. Breakfast provided from 8 – 9:30 am. Contact the Museum at (480) 644-2230 for directions to the site. *CONTACT: DR. JERRY HOWARD, (480) 644-3428.*

PHOENIX

MARCH 2 – 31: (10 am – 4 pm)

📍 12th Annual Children's Art Exhibit. The Deer Valley Rock Art Center is proud to host this exhibit that highlights the significance of rock art and archaeology in Arizona through the eyes of kids. The juried show is open to kids K-8 and art must represent an Arizona rock art or archaeology theme. The awards ceremony will take place at the free festival on March 27. Contact the Center to participate in the competition. *CONTACT: KIM ARTH, (623) 582-8007 or Kimberly.arth@asu.edu.*

MARCH 3: (6:30 pm)

📍 Lecture: Topic to be announced. Sponsored by PGM Auxiliary. Lecture will focus on the archaeology of southwestern Native American peoples. Check the website for updates. Pueblo Grande Museum and Archaeological Park, 4619 East Washington Street, Phoenix. *CONTACT: STACEY MAYS, (602) 495-0901 or Stacey.mays@phoenix.gov or www.PuebloGrande.com.*

MARCH 5: (8 am – 5 pm)

🗺️ Exhibit Opening: Art & Archaeology of Perry Mesa. The recent research of ASU Doctorial Candidate, Hoske Schaafsma, on prehistoric agricultural practices on Perry Mesa, north of Phoenix, will be featured along with large format photographs of nearby rock art by Pat Gorraiz. Pueblo Grande Museum and Archaeological Park, 4619 East Washington Street, Phoenix. *CONTACT: STACEY MAYS, (602) 495-0901 or Stacey.mays@phoenix.gov or www.PuebloGrande.com.*

MARCH 6 & 7: (10 am – 5 pm)

🗺️ Heard Museum Guild Indian Fair and Market. Sponsored by the Heard Museum, 2301 N. Central Avenue. Regular fees apply – contact the Museum for further information. *CONTACT: EDNA WEINBERG, (480) 948-5365 or hiwein@q.com.*

MARCH 6: (9:30 am – 12:30 pm)

🗺️ Archaeology for Kids. Sponsored by the Pueblo Grande Museum and Archaeological Park. How do archaeologists learn about past cultures such as the Hohokam Indians? How did the Hohokam survive in the desert? What did they eat and what tools did they use for hunting? Why was the ancient site at Pueblo Grande built? You will discover the answer to these questions and more! Activities are for ages 7-12. Bring comfortable shoes, hat and sunscreen. PGM, 4619 East Washington Street, Phoenix. *CONTACT: STACEY MAYS, (602) 495-0901 or Stacey.mays@phoenix.gov or www.PuebloGrande.com.*

MARCH 13: (10 am – 3 pm)

🗺️ Ancient Technology Day. Sponsored by the Pueblo Grande Museum and Archaeological Park. Learn how people made jewelry and tools, and obtained food long before hardware and grocery stores existed. Lots of fun activities, tours and demonstrations for the whole family to enjoy. PGM, 4619 East Washington Street, Phoenix. *CONTACT: STACEY MAYS, (602) 495-0901 or Stacey.mays@phoenix.gov or www.PuebloGrande.com.*

MARCH 21: (8 am)

🗺️ Petroglyph Discovery Hikes. Sponsored by the Pueblo Grande Museum and Archaeological Park. Learn about the prehistoric Hohokam rock art legacy and the preservation efforts being waged to preserve these sites. A PGM guide will lead participants on interpretive hikes (hikes vary depending on locations). Ages 8 to adult. Reservations required – tour is limited to 14 people. Bring water, lunch,

hiking shoes, and sunscreen. Must reserve on website at www.pueblogrande.com. *CONTACT: STACEY MAYS, (602) 495-0901 or Stacey.mays@phoenix.gov.*

MARCH 27: (10 am – 4 pm)

🗺️ Rock Art Expo and Free Family Day. Join the Deer Valley Rock Art Center for its biggest event of the year! Participate in guided hikes, interactive stations on archaeology and desert ecology, hands-on crafts for kids, ancient spear throwing demonstrations, a mock archaeology dig and agave tasting. Special guest exhibitors, speakers and musical performances will also be featured. The Glyph Shop will offer discounts on a wide selection of books, fine art and gift items. Appropriate for vision and/or hearing impaired. Deer Valley Rock Art Center, 3711 W. Deer Valley Road, Phoenix. *CONTACT: KIM ARTH (623) 582-8007 or Kimberly.arth@asu.edu or www.asu.edu/clas/shesc/dvrac.*

TEMPE

MARCH 11: (10 am)

🗺️ Tour: Petroglyphs on Hayden Butte. Tour of the petroglyphs on Hayden Butte. Sponsored by the Tempe History Museum. Meet at the Hayden Butte trailhead behind Tempe Police and Court building (north side of Fifth Street, east of Mill Ave.). Water, sun screen and appropriate hiking shoes required. Suitable for children 8 years or older. *CONTACT: AMY DOUGLAS, (480) 350-5100 or amy_douglas@tempe.gov.*

WICKENBURG

MARCH 4: (9 am – 3 pm)

🗺️ Tour: Historic Peeples Valley, Kirkland and Skull Valley. You will travel scenic Hwy 89 with historians on this historic building and site tour. Sponsored by Desert Caballeros Western Museum. Fees apply. Reservations required. Caravan departs from the Desert Caballeros Western Museum. 21 N. Frontier St., Wickenburg. *CONTACT: CRAIG DUNCAN, (928) 684-2272, ext. 100 or www.westernmuseum.org.*

MARCH 18: (12 pm – 1 pm)

🗺️ Lecture: “Growing up Navajo.” By Jaclyn Roessel of the Heard Museum. An unforgettable story of Jaclyn’s life on the Navajo Reservation. Sponsored by Desert Caballeros Western Museum. Meet at Desert Caballeros Western Museum, 21 N. Frontier St., Wickenburg. *CONTACT: CRAIG DUNCAN, (928) 684- 2272, ext. 100, or info@westernmuseum.org or www.westernmuseum.org.*

MARCH 26 – 28: (10 am – 5 pm)

🗺️ Exhibition: “Cowgirl Up!: Art from the Other Half of the West.” Celebrate the extraordinary talent of 56 women artists from throughout the West. Meet participating artists during the opening of weekend events. Sponsored by Desert Caballeros Western Museum, 21 N. Frontier St., Wickenburg. *CONTACT: CRAIG DUNCAN, (928) 684-2272, ext. 100, or info@westernmuseum.org or www.westernmuseum.org.*

NORTHERN ARIZONA

CAMP VERDE AREA

THROUGHOUT MARCH: (call for times and locations)

Special Programs: Visit Montezuma Castle and Tuzigoot National Monuments to learn about the Sinagua, a Native American culture that inhabited the Verde Valley between the years 1100-1425. Programs include interpretive talks, guided hikes, and demonstrations. Sponsored by the National Parks Service. *CONTACT: MONTEZUMA CASTLE VISITOR CENTER, (928) 567-3322, ext. 21, or Joshua_Boles@nps.gov.*

MARCH 5 & 19: (1 pm)

Living History Presentations. Fort Verde State Historic Park, 125 E. Hollamon St., Camp Verde. *CONTACT: SHEILA STUBLER, (928) 567-3275.*

MARCH 12 & 26: (1 pm)

🗺️ Workshop: “How to Make Adobe Bricks.” Fort Verde State Historic Park, 125 E. Hollamon St., Camp Verde. *CONTACT: SHEILA STUBLER, (928) 567-3275.*

MARCH 27: (9 am – 12 pm)

🗺️ Field Trip: Prehistoric and Historic Salt Mine Site. Sponsored by the Prescott National Forest. Meet at the Verde Ranger Station, 300 E. Hwy. 260, Camp Verde and carpool to the Salt Mine, known to the Hopi as “Place of the Blue Salt.” Reservations needed as tour is limited to 15 people. Dress for unpredictable weather, wear hiking boots, and bring water. *CONTACT: MARY ONTIVEROS, (928) 567-4121.*

APRIL 16 - 18: (9:30 am – 3:30 pm)

🗺️ V Bar V Archaeology Discovery Days. Sponsored by Coconino National Forest, Red Rock Ranger District. Learn about ancient Indian cultures of the Southwest by watching demonstrations of ancient technologies including fire by friction, weaving yucca fiber sandals, firing pottery, throwing with atlatls, and flint-knapping. Taste roasted agave and acorn stew, then watch the

Yavapai Apache Bird Singers perform. Located at the V-V Heritage Site. From I-17 north, take exit 298 and turn right; go 2.5 miles on Forest Rd 618. Go past the Beaver Creek Campground then turn right into site. *CONTACT: TERRILYN GREEN, (928) 203-2909 or tgreen01@fs.fed.us.*

FLAGSTAFF

MARCH 8: (12:15 pm)

🗺️ Brown Bag Lunch Series Lecture: “Smithsonian Expeditions to Northern Arizona.” By Peter Pilles, Forest Archaeologist, Coconino National Forest. In the early days of the Smithsonian Institution, leading archaeologists, including Jesse Walter Fewkes, were sent to northern Arizona to study ruin sites. Examine “then and now” photos documenting the ruins as they were found and as they are today. Presentation will be illustrated with photos by several early archaeologists. Sponsored by Arizona State Parks. Located at the Riordan Mansion State Park, Visitor Center, 409 West Riordan Rd., Flagstaff. Free, but reservations are recommended. *CONTACT: KATHY FARRETTA, (928) 779-4395.*

MARCH 20: (7 pm)

Evening Slide Presentation Series: “Excavations at Lizard Man Village.” By Neil Weintraub, Archaeologist, Kaibab National Forest. The significance of this site will be re-visited 25 years after its excavation. Sponsored by Arizona State Parks. Located at the Riordan Mansion State Park, Visitor Center, 409 West Riordan Rd., Flagstaff. Free. *CONTACT: KATHY FARRETTA, (928) 779-4395.*

FLAGSTAFF AREA — Wupatki National Monument

MARCH 3: (10 am – 12 pm)

🗺️ Demonstrations: Flintknapping with an Archaeologist. Sponsored by the NPS. From Flagstaff, take US 89 north for 12 miles; turn right at sign for Sunset Crater Volcano and travel another 21 miles from this junction to the Wupatki Visitor Center. Regular admission fees will apply. *CONTACT: CECILIA SHIELDS, (928) 526-0502, ext. 223 or cecilia_shields@nps.gov.*

MARCH 4 & 18: (10 am – 12 pm & 1 pm- 3 pm, respectively)

📍📍 Discovery Hikes: Hike with an Archaeologist.

Sponsored by NPS. A different discovery route will be explored each time. Suitable for ages 10 and over. Reservations are required. (Hike is 2-3 miles long and lasts for 2-3 hours; bring water, hat, snacks, sunscreen and hiking boots.) From Flagstaff, take US 89 north for 12 miles; turn right at sign for Sunset Crater Volcano and travel another 21 miles from this junction to the Wupatki Visitor Center. *CONTACT: CECILIA SHIELDS, (928) 526-0502, ext. 223 or cecilia_shields@nps.gov.*

MARCH 13 & 14: (10 am – 4 pm)

📍📍 Cultural Demonstrations: Native American Arts and Crafts. Sponsored by NPS. From Flagstaff, take US 89 north for 12 miles; turn right at sign for Sunset Crater Volcano and travel another 21 miles from this junction to the Wupatki Visitor Center. *CONTACT: CECILIA SHIELDS, (928) 526-0502, ext. 223 or cecilia_shields@nps.gov.*

MARCH 15: (1 pm – 3 pm)

📍📍 Demonstrations: Pinch Pottery Making with an Archaeologist. Sponsored by NPS. From Flagstaff, take US 89 north for 12 miles; turn right at sign for Sunset Crater Volcano and travel another 21 miles from this junction to the Wupatki visitor center. *CONTACT: CECILIA SHIELDS, (928) 526-0502, ext. 223 or cecilia_shields@nps.gov.*

Walnut Canyon National Monument:

MARCH 11 and 29: (1 - 3 pm) and

MARCH 25: (10 am – 12 pm)

📍📍 Discovery Hikes: Hike with an Archaeologist.

Sponsored by NPS. A different discovery route will be explored each day. Suitable for ages 10 and over. Reservations are required. (Hike is 2-3 miles long and lasts for 2-3 hours; come prepared.) From Flagstaff, travel east on Interstate 40, take exit 204 south and drive another 3 miles. Meet at the Walnut Canyon National Monument Visitor Center. *CONTACT: CECILIA SHIELDS, (928) 526-0502, ext. 223 or cecilia_shields@nps.gov.*

MARCH 24: (10 am – 12 pm)

📍📍 Demonstrations: Pottery Making with an Archaeologist. From Flagstaff, travel east on Interstate 40, take exit 204 south and drive another 3 miles. Meet at the Walnut Canyon National Monument Visitor Center. *CONTACT: CECILIA SHIELDS, (928) 526-0502, ext. 223 or cecilia_shields@nps.gov.*

MARCH 27 & 28: (10 am – 4 pm)

📍📍 Cultural Demonstrations: Native American Arts and Crafts. Sponsored by NPS. From Flagstaff, travel east on Interstate 40, take exit 204 south and drive another 3 miles. Meet at the Walnut Canyon National Monument Visitor Center. *CONTACT: CECILIA SHIELDS, (928) 526-0502, ext. 223 or cecilia_shields@nps.gov.*

Sunset Crater Volcano National Monument:

MARCH 17: (10 am – 12 pm)

📍📍 Demonstration: Flintknapping with an Archaeologist. Sponsored by NPS. From Flagstaff, take US 89 north for 12 miles, turn right at sign for Sunset Crater Volcano. Travel another 2 miles to Sunset Crater Visitor Center. *CONTACT: CECILIA SHIELDS, (928) 526-0502, ext. 223 or cecilia_shields@nps.gov.*

MARCH 20 & 21: (10 am to 4 pm)

📍📍 Cultural Demonstrations: Native American Arts and Crafts. Sponsored by NPS. From Flagstaff, take US 89 north for 12 miles, turn right at sign for Sunset Crater Volcano. Travel another 2 miles to Sunset Crater Visitor Center. *CONTACT: CECILIA SHIELDS, (928) 526-0502, ext. 223 or cecilia_shields@nps.gov.*

FREDONIA AND PAGE AREA

MARCH 5: (1 pm – 4 pm)


MARCH 12, 14, 28: (9 am - Noon)

📍 Hike: “Mu’uputs Canyon: Paiute History and Lifeways.” Join a Park Ranger on this two mile, moderate hike into scenic Mu’uputs Canyon on the Kaibab Paiute Reservation. Ranger Pikyavit will talk about Southern Paiute traditional life ways and connections to the natural world. Participants will visit two rock art/petroglyph sites. Sponsored by Pipe Spring National Monument and the Kaibab Band of Paiute Indians. Reservations are required and fees for tribal lands apply. Pipe Spring National Monument, 406 N Pipe Spring Road, 15 miles from Fredonia on AZ 389, or 60 miles east of St. George, UT, on UT 59. *CONTACT: ANDREA BORNEMEIER, (928) 643-7105 or andrea_bornemeier@nps.gov.*


MARCH 5: (10 am - 12 pm)

📍📍 Hike: “Rusty Nails and Glass Bottles: The Role of Historical Archaeology in Understanding Historic Settlement at Pipe Spring National Monument.” By Sarah Horton, Zion National Park. Get an overview of what historical archaeology is and how it is different from prehistoric archaeology. Sponsored by Pipe Spring National Monument, 406 N Pipe Spring Road, 15 miles from Fredonia. Park entrance fee is \$5.00/ person. *CONTACT: ANDREA BORNEMEIER, (928) 643-7105 or andrea_bornemeier@nps.gov.*


MARCH 7: (1 – 3 pm)

 **Talk: “Crafts of the Kai’va’veets.”** By Ranger Benn Pikyavit. The culture of the Kaibab Indians centered around their connection to the earth. Learn more about this connection and its importance to the Kaibab. Sponsored by Pipe Spring National Monument, 406 N Pipe Spring Road, 15 miles from Fredonia. Park entrance fee is \$5.00/ person. *CONTACT: ANDREA BORNEMEIER, (928) 643-7105 or andrea_bornemeier@nps.gov.*


MARCH 12: (1 – 3 pm)

 **Demonstration: Primitive Fire Starting.** Have you ever made fire? The Pioneers had flint and steel to help them, but how did the Native Americans make fires? Learn the secrets of this ancient skill. Sponsored by Pipe Spring National Monument, 406 N Pipe Spring Road, 15 miles from Fredonia. Park entrance fee \$5 per person. *CONTACT: ANDREA BORNEMEIER, (928) 643-7105 or andrea_bornemeier@nps.gov.*


MARCH 13 & 27: (10 am – 1 pm)

 **Demonstration: Blacksmithing.** Flames roaring, hammer pounding, and sweat pouring were common sights and sounds when the blacksmith was at work. Join Ranger Evan Cram as he molds the blacksmith’s legend. Sponsored by Pipe Spring National Monument, 406 N Pipe Spring Road, 15 miles from Fredonia. Park entrance fee \$5 per person. *CONTACT: ANDREA BORNEMEIER, (928) 643-7105 or andrea_bornemeier@nps.gov.*

MARCH 19: (1 – 3 pm)

 **Lecture: “The Paiutes and Prehistory: An Archaeological Problem or the Problem with Archaeologists?”** By David Van Alfen. Learn about the various theories regarding the relationship between Puebloans and Paiutes. Sponsored by Pipe Spring National Monument, 406 N Pipe Spring Road, 15 miles from Fredonia. Park entrance fee is \$5.00 per person. *CONTACT: ANDREA BORNEMEIER, (928) 643-7105 or andrea_bornemeier@nps.gov.*


MARCH 20: (10 am – 1 pm)

 **Demonstration: Stone Cutting.** Feathers, wedges, hammers, plug drills and elbow grease — that’s what it took to cut the stones for the Winsor Castle. Join Ranger Evan to see these old methods at work. Sponsored by Pipe Spring National Monument, 406 N Pipe Spring Road, 15 miles from Fredonia. Park entrance fee \$5 per person. *CONTACT: ANDREA BORNEMEIER, (928) 643-7105 or andrea_bornemeier@nps.gov.*


MARCH 20: (10 am – 2 pm)

 **Hike: Historic Jacob’s Pools at the Vermilion Cliffs.** Sponsored by the Kaibab Vermilion Cliffs Heritage Alliance and Grand Canyon Trust. Hike is led by archaeologist Michael O’Hara. Take a look at the 1872 Doyle’s Retreat, the 1905 Bar Z ranchhouse, and the Honeymoon Trail. The site inspired part of Zane Grey’s novel *New Riders of the Purple Sage*. One-mile roundtrip walk. Meet at the Dominguez-Escalante interpretive pullout on the north side of US Highway 89A, west of Marble Canyon, AZ, near milepost 558. *CONTACT: ROSE HOUK, (928) 779-2962 or mpcreh@msn.com.*

MARCH 21: (9 am – Noon)

 **Hike: Historic Powell Marker.** Hike led by Park Ranger Benn Pikyavit. Learn about John Wesley Powell’s Topographical Survey Crew that worked in the early 1870s. A strenuous hike that climbs approximately 800 feet to the top of the Vermilion Cliffs to one of the survey’s triangulation stations. Sponsored by Pipe Spring National Monument and the Kaibab Band of Paiute Indians. Since much of this hike occurs on the Kaibab Paiute Indian Reservation, a tribal fee of \$5.00/person, in addition to the Monument entrance fee of \$5.00/person, will apply. Pre-registration required as the hike is limited to 20 people. Pipe Spring National Monument, 406 N Pipe Spring Road, 15 miles from Fredonia on AZ 389 or 60 miles east of St. George, UT on UT 59. *CONTACT: ANDREA BORNEMEIER, (928) 643-7105 or andrea_bornemeier@nps.gov.*

MARCH 26: (1 – 3 pm)

 **Talk: “Paiute Skills and Crafts.”** Join Kaibab Paiute tribal members as they discuss and demonstrate a variety of ancient skills and crafts. Sponsored by Pipe Spring National Monument and the Kaibab Paiute Indian Tribe. Pipe Spring National Monument, 406 N Pipe Spring Road, 15 miles from Fredonia, AZ, on AZ 389, or 60 miles east of St. George, UT, on UT 59. Park entrance fee is \$5.00/ person 15 years and older. Interagency Annual, Senior, and Access passes accepted. *CONTACT: ANDREA BORNEMEIER, (928) 643-7105 or andrea_bornemeier@nps.gov.*

GRAND CANYON AREA

March 27: (11 am – 4 pm)

🗺️ Archaeology Day Celebration! Cultural demonstrations at the Grand Canyon Visitor Center. Sponsored by Grand Canyon National Park. Visitors will make split twig figurines, create clay pinch pots, and participate in a mock excavation. These are hands-on activities suitable for all ages but especially fun for the kids. There will be a special evening Ranger Program at the Shrine of Ages auditorium at 7:30 pm focusing on a recent archaeological project near the Colorado River; this presentation will share how native people have lived in the Grand Canyon area for thousands of years and learned to survive in this challenging environment. **CONTACT LIBBY SCHAAF, (928) 638-7641 or libby_schaaf@nps.gov.**

HOLBROOK AREA

SATURDAYS IN MARCH: (9 am – 12 noon)

🗺️ Demonstrations: Flint Knapping/Stone Tool Manufacturing. Led by Jason Theuer, Park Archaeologist. Sponsored by Petrified Forest National Park. Watch reproductions of prehistoric artifacts being made and learn the secrets of these ancient skills. Activities are being held in the Painted Desert Visitor Center, Courtyard area (weather permitting), 1 Park Road. Petrified Forest National Park is located 27 miles east of Holbrook; take exit #311 off I-40. **CONTACT: HALLIE LARSEN, (928) 524-6228, ext. 274 or Hallie_Larsen@nps.gov.**

SATURDAYS IN MARCH: (8 am – 12 noon)

🗺️ Demonstrations: Native American Arts and Crafts. Sponsored by Petrified Forest National Park. Hopi, Zuni, and Navajo artists will be highlighting their crafts and selling hand-made art. Artisans include traditional potters, carvers, weavers, and jewelers, with different artists being featured each Saturday. Activities are being held in the Painted Desert Visitor Center, Courtyard area (weather permitting), 1 Park Road. Petrified Forest National Park is located 27 miles east of Holbrook; take exit #311 off I-40. **CONTACT: HALLIE LARSEN, (928) 524-6228, ext. 274 or Hallie_Larsen@nps.gov.**

MARCH 6: (1 pm)

🗺️ Tour: Prehistoric McCreery Pueblo. Sponsored by Petrified Forest National Park. This is a 2 mile long, moderate difficulty hike to a Chaco Great Kiva (the hike crosses rough, sandy and uneven terrain). There will not be an opportunity to turn around and return once tour is underway (all participants must stay with the tour). Meet at mile marker 8 on the Main Park Road. Directions available at the Painted Desert Visitor Center. Suitable for children ages 8 and above. Be prepared — appropriate shoes, hat, sunscreen and lots of water. High clearance vehicles may be required. **CONTACT: HALLIE LARSEN, (928) 524-6228, ext. 274 or Hallie_Larsen@nps.gov.**

MARCH 13: (1 pm)

🗺️ Hike: Prehistoric Mountain Lion Mesa Petroglyphs. Sponsored by Petrified Forest National Park. This is an extremely rough hike, approximately 5 + miles of strenuous/difficult uneven terrain. There will not be an opportunity to turn around and return once tour is underway (all participants must stay with the tour). Meet at Crystal Forest Parking lot. Directions available at the Painted Desert Visitor Center. Suitable for children who can hike 5 miles or more. Be prepared — appropriate shoes, hat, sunscreen and lots of water. High clearance vehicles may be required. **CONTACT: HALLIE LARSEN, (928) 524-6228, ext. 274 or Hallie_Larsen@nps.gov.**

MARCH 20: (1 pm)

🗺️ Hike: Puerco Ridge Archaeological Hike. Sponsored by Petrified Forest National Park. Join park archaeologists for a special hike to prehistoric sites spanning the last 2,000 years in the park's southern wilderness area. This is an extremely rough hike, approximately 5 + miles of strenuous/difficult uneven terrain. There will not be an opportunity to turn around and return once tour is underway (all participants must stay with the tour). Meet at Crystal Forest Parking lot. Directions available at the Painted Desert Visitor Center. Suitable for children who can hike 5 miles or more. Be prepared — appropriate shoes, hat, sunscreen and lots of water. High clearance vehicles may be required. **CONTACT: HALLIE LARSEN, (928) 524-6228, ext. 274 or Hallie_Larsen@nps.gov.**

MARCH 27: (1 pm)

🗺️ Hike: Puerco Pueblo Petroglyph Hike. Sponsored by Petrified Forest National Park. This is a 2 + miles easy to moderate hike to a prehistoric site and petroglyphs. It crosses rough, sandy and uneven terrain. There will not be an opportunity to turn around and return once tour is underway (all participants must stay with the tour). Meet at the Puerco Pueblo parking lot. Directions available at the Painted Desert Visitor Center. Suitable for children ages 8 and above. Be prepared — appropriate shoes, hat, sunscreen and lots of water. High clearance vehicles may be required. **CONTACT: HALLIE LARSEN, (928) 524-6228, ext. 274 or Hallie_Larsen@nps.gov.**


KINGMAN AREA

THROUGHOUT MARCH


🗺️ Elementary School Presentations on Archaeology. Sponsored and led by BLM Kingman Field Office archaeologists. Presentations will be offered at public and charter schools in Kingman and Mohave County. Call for more information. **CONTACT: CRAIG JOHNSON, (928) 718-3700.**

SPRINGERVILLE

THROUGHOUT MARCH: (call for times)


 **Displays: Casa Malpais Museum.** Visit displays of prehistoric artifacts from the site of Casa Malpais, a unique pueblo dating from 1240 to about 1350. 418 East Main Street. *CONTACT: LINDA MATTHEWS, (928) 333-5375 or casa@springerville.com.*

THROUGHOUT MARCH: (9 am, 11 am, 2 pm)


 **Guided Tours: Prehistoric Casa Malpais Pueblo.** Sponsored by the Casa Malpais Museum. The pueblo is of Ancient Puebloan people and has been dated to 1240 to 1350. The site contains a Great Kiva, a solar calendar, prehistoric trails, rock art and numerous isolated rooms. Tours start at the Museum at 9 - 11 am and 2 pm. Be prepared; wear appropriate hiking shoes, hat, sunscreen and bring water. Fees apply. Meet at the Casa Malpais Museum, 418 East Main Street. *CONTACT: LINDA MATTHEWS, (928) 333-5375 or casa@springerville.com.*

WILLIAMS AREA

MARCH 4, 11, 18, 25: (6:30 pm)


 **Lecture Series: Williams/Grand Canyon History.** Learn from various local archaeologists! Sponsored by the Kaibab National Forest, Williams Ranger District Office. Call the District office for more information on titles/topics; 724 S. Clover Road. Go west from Williams on Railroad Avenue about one mile, then turn left at sign marking the Ranger Station at top of the hill. *CONTACT: WILLIAMS RANGER DISTRICT OFFICE, (928) 635-5600.*

SATURDAYS IN MARCH: (2 pm)

 **Interpretive Hikes: Prehistoric Petroglyphs at Keyhole Sink.** Sponsored by the Kaibab National Forest. The hike is approximately 0.75 mile walk each way, and the terrain is rocky and can be muddy. Be prepared; wear appropriate hiking shoes, hat, sunscreen and bring water. Meet at the Oak Hill Snowplay area off of Route 66, west of the town of Parks. Call for directions and meeting place. *CONTACT: WILLIAMS RANGER DISTRICT OFFICE, (928) 635-5600.*

WINSLOW


SATURDAYS IN MARCH: (1:30 pm)

 **Guided Tours: Interpretive Walks at Homolovi II Pueblo Ruins.** Sponsored by Homolovi Ruins State Park. Join Park Rangers for an easy stroll through the largest of the Homolovi sites (weather permitting). Discussion will include the archaeology of Homolovi and its connection to the modern Hopi people. Meet at the Visitor Center and wear comfortable shoes. Hearing impaired, advanced notice required. Homolovi Ruins State Park Visitors Center, 1.4 miles north of Interstate 40, Exit 257, State Route 87 North. *CONTACT: KAREN BERGGREN, (928) 289-4106 or kberggren@azstateparks.gov.*


SOUTHERN ARIZONA

AJO

WEEKENDS IN MARCH 6/7, 13/14, 20/21, 27/28: (10 am – 4 pm)

 **Cultural Demonstrations: “Season of Tradition.”** Sponsored by the Organ Pipe Cactus National Monument-NPS. Join members of the Tohono O’odham Nation and others who will share their culture through basket weaving, dry land farming, native plant use, pottery, language, archaeology and more. Free and open to the public. Schedule of demonstrators will change daily; craft items will be for sale. Call for more information on schedule. Kris Eggle Visitor Center, Highway 85, approximately 35 miles south of Ajo. Organ Pipe Cactus National Monument, #10 Organ Pipe Drive. *CONTACT: VIVIAN SARTORI, (520) 387-6849, ext. 7304 or vivian_sartori@nps.gov.*

MARCH 12: (2 – 3:30 pm)

 **Lecture: “Ancient Native America Pottery of Southern Arizona.”** By archaeologist Allen Dart. Sponsored by Pima County Library and the Arizona Humanities Council. Utilizing digital images and actual pottery, Native American ceramic styles that characterizes a specific time frame are shown; discussion on how archaeologists use pottery for dating prehistoric sites, as well as the importance of context in archaeological dating techniques. Illustrations and examples of Southern Arizona pottery are featured. Meet at the Salazar-Ajo Branch Library, 33 Plaza, Ajo. *CONTACT: MS LEE IRWIN, (520) 387-6075 or lee.irwin@pima.gov.*

MARANA

MARCH 20: (8 am to 12 noon)

🗺️ Tour: Spring Equinox Tour of Los Morteros and Picture Rocks Petroglyph Sites. Sponsored by Old Pueblo Archaeology Center. Allen Dart leads this carpooling tour to the ancient village of Los Morteros that includes a Hohokam ballcourt and bedrock mortars. Next stop on the tour is Picture Rocks Petroglyphs site where an ancient solstice and equinox marker can be found along with dancing human-like figures, animals, and other rock art symbols. Meet at the northeast corner of Silverbell Road and Linda Vista Blvd. in Marana. Tour is limited to 32 people, reservations are required. Suitable for children, but must be able to go up and down approximately 15 stairs. Be prepared; wear appropriate hiking shoes, hat, sunscreen, bring water and a sack lunch if needed. *CONTACT: OLD PUEBLO ARCHAEOLOGY, (520) 798-1201 or info@oldpueblo.org.*

SIERRA VISTA AREA

MARCH 20: (8 and 9 am)

Hikes and History Day: Historic Fairbank Townsite and Presidio Santa Cruz de Terrenate. Sponsored by the Friends of the San Pedro River. Come to Fairbank, Arizona for a day of history. Music, re-enactments, walks, and a hike. Visit a ghost town that was once a thriving boomtown of the wild west, the cemetery which holds the remains of many residents, the old school house, and the two-story adobe Mercantile building. Walk along the old railroad bed to “Willow Wash,” cross the San Pedro River, and visit the Presidio Santa Cruz de Terrenate. The hike starts at Fairbank Townsite at 8:00 am and is approximately 6 miles roundtrip over good trails with a few steep inclines. For those interested in a shorter hike (about 3 miles roundtrip), docents will also lead a walk into Terrenate from the west, departing at 9:00 am. There will also be a one-mile roundtrip hike to the Fairbank Cemetery several times during the day. Bring water, a hat, and good hiking shoes. The Townsite and Schoolhouse are wheelchair accessible; the trails are not. To get to Fairbank Historic Townsite, take Highway 82 east from Highway 90 for approximately 10 miles. Fairbank parking area is approximately ¼ mile east of river. The Terrenate Trailhead is about one mile north of Highway 82 on In Balance Ranch Road. Free. *CONTACT: FRIENDS OF THE SAN PEDRO RIVER, (520) 459-2555 or www.sanpedroriver.org.*

SONOITA

MARCH 20: (1 pm)

Tour: Historic Empire Ranch. The Empire Ranch House is a 22-room adobe and wood frame building that dates to 1870 and is listed in the National Register of Historic Places. The ranch sits at the heart of the 42,000-acre Las Cienegas National Conservation Area, on public lands

acquired and administered since 1988 by the BLM Tucson Office. Directions from Tucson: Located about 30 miles southeast of Tucson; take I-10 east to exit 281, Scenic Highway 83 (Sonoita), go 18 miles to just past milepost 40. Turn left at the “Empire Ranch Historic Site” sign. RSVP suggested. *CONTACT: EMPIRE RANCH FOUNDATION, (888) 364-2829 or www.empireranchfoundation.org.*

TUCSON

MARCH 6: (9 am – 12 pm and 1 – 4 pm)

🗺️ Demonstrations: Flintknapping and Traditional Pottery Making. Sponsored by Old Pueblo Archaeology. A modern flintknapper and a pottery maker will show how flaked stone arrowheads and pottery vessels were made by the ancient people of the American Southwest. 2201 W. 44th St. (located in Tucson Unified School District’s Ajo Service Center, just west of La Cholla Blvd., half mile north of John F. Kennedy Park). *CONTACT: CRIS WAGNER, (520) 798-1201 or info@oldpueblo.org.*

MARCH 6: (7 am – 3 pm)

🗺️ Tour: Rock Art and Archaeology of Ventana Cave. Sponsored by Old Pueblo Archaeology Center. Join archaeologist, Allen Dart, as he leads this early morning carpool tour onto the Tohono O’odham Nation to visit the Ventana Cave National Historic Landmark site. It is a rock-shelter that contains pictographs, petroglyphs, and other features used by Native Americans for 10,000 years. Be prepared; wear appropriate hiking shoes, hat, sunscreen, bring water and a sack lunch. High Clearance vehicles needed for carpooling. Reservations Required. Fees apply; free for Tohono O’odham Nation members. Meet at parking lot of Pima Community College, 401 N. Bonita Ave., Tucson. *CONTACT ALLEN DART (520) 798-1201 or info@oldpueblo.org.*

MARCH 6: (10 am & 1 pm)



🗺️ Hands-on Archaeology Program. Sponsored by Old Pueblo Archaeology Center. (Children ages 6-12.) This two-hour program allows children to learn about different cultures by participating in the mock excavation of a full-size replica of a southern Arizona Hohokam archaeological site. They will learn about how ancient people looked, what they ate, how they constructed their houses, what language they spoke, and what beliefs they may have had. Each session is limited to 28 children — reservations are required. Old Pueblo Archaeology Center, 2201 W. 44th St. (located in Tucson Unified School District’s Ajo Service Center, just west of La Cholla Blvd., half mile north of John F. Kennedy Park.) *CONTACT: CRIS WAGNER, (520) 798-1201 or info@oldpueblo.org.*

MARCH 8 - 12: (1 pm – 3 pm)



Tour: Museum Collections, Laboratory and Archives at the Western Archeological and Conservation Center.

Sponsored by the National Park Service and the Western Archaeological & Conservation Center (WACC). Walking tour is 2 hours long and features collections from more than 70 national parks and monuments. Tour size is limited and reservations are required. Children must be accompanied by adults. 255 North Commerce Park Loop, Tucson. *CONTACT: WACC, (520) 791-6412 for reservations or susan_wells@nps.gov.*


MARCH 13: (9 am – 3 pm)

  **Celebration: Vista del Rio Archaeology.** Free demonstrations geared toward children ages 8-12. They will learn about the ancient Hohokam who lived at the Vista Del Rio archaeological site. Hand-on activities include making pottery, grinding corn, and learning to play traditional Native American games. Demonstrations of pottery and arrowhead making will occur along the trail throughout the Vista del Rio Cultural Park. Sponsored by the Vista del Rio Residents' Association and Old Pueblo Archaeology Center. 7575 E. Desert Arbors St., Tucson. From Tanque Verde Road, take Dos Hombres Road north to Desert Arbors Street and park on street beside the city park. *CONTACT: CRIS WAGNER, (520) 798-1201 or info@oldpueblo.org.*


MARCH 15: (7:30 pm)

  **Lecture: “Chimney Rock and Chaco Canyon, Pinnacle and Mesa Verde: Ancestral Pueblo Regional Dynamics.”** By Steve Lekson, University of Colorado. Sponsored by Arizona Archaeological and Historical Society. Meet at the University Medical Center, Duval Auditorium, 1501 N. Campbell Ave., Tucson. *CONTACT: KATHERINE CERINO, (520) 907-0884 or kcerino@gmail.com.*

MARCH 16: (6 pm)



 **Archaeology Café Lecture and Discussion: “Where Did the Mimbres Go, and Where Did Casas Grandes Come From?”** Steve Lekson will give a presentation and lead a discussion. Happy Hour forum sponsored and hosted by Center for Desert Archaeology at a local Tapas restaurant. Participants are encouraged to support the restaurant by buying their own refreshments. Meet at Casa Vicente, 375 S. Stone Avenue, Tucson. The event is free and open to the public and may be video taped and posted to their website. Call for more information. *CONTACT: KATE SARTHER GANN, (520) 882-6946.*

MARCH 30: (6:30 – 8 pm)

 **Lecture: “Change and Continuity: 1500 years of Hopi Farming and Land Stewardship.”** By Micah Loma’omvaya, Hopi tribal member of the Bear Clan. Sponsored by Old Pueblo Archaeology Center and Arizona Humanities Council. Join Micah as he explains the ancient techniques of dry land farming and a host of other sustainable techniques that today’s Hopi have inherited in a legacy of rich traditions including the Hopi values and practices of land stewardship. Meet at the Pima County Public Library, Himmel Park Branch, 1035 N. Treat Ave., Tucson. *CONTACT: ALLEN DART, (520) 798-1201 or info@oldpueblo.org.*

TUBAC



MARCH 11: (7 – 8:30 pm)

  **Lecture: “Set in Stone but Not in Meaning: Southwest Indian Rock Art.”** Sponsored by AAS Santa Cruz Chapter and the Arizona Humanities Council. Archaeologist, Allen Dart, illustrates pictographs (rock paintings) and petroglyphs (symbols carved or pecked on rocks) and discusses how even the same rock art symbol may be interpreted differently from popular, scientific, and modern Native American perspectives. Meet at the Santa Cruz County’s North County Facility, 50 Bridge Road, Tubac. *CONTACT: ALAN SORKOWITZ (520) 207-7151 or asorko@cox.net.*


EASTERN ARIZONA

WILLCOX

SATURDAYS IN MARCH: (10 am)

  **Tours: Historic Buffalo Soldier Monument and Encampment Lookout.** Learn about the Buffalo Soldiers during the Apache Indian Wars. Sponsored by the NPS. An easy 500-yard walk from parking lot to the Ranch house site. Water and sun protection a must. Meet at the Faraway Ranch parking lot in Chiricahua National Monument, 12856 E. Rhyolite Creek Rd. *CONTACT: KATE NEILSEN, (520) 824-3560, ext. 303 or Kathrine_Neilsen@nps.gov.*

MARCH 13: (10 am)

 **Tour: The Bascom Affair Site.** Sponsored by Fort Bowie National Historic Site-NPS. Learn about the history and archaeology associated with the incident that precipitated the Apache Wars. The tour will be led by park ranger, Larry Ludwig, an expert on the Apache Wars and the archaeology of Fort Bowie. Meet at Fort Bowie trailhead parking lot (13 miles south of the town of Bowie on Apache Pass Rd.). Bring water, hiking shoes, sun protection and lunch. Call for reservations. *CONTACT: LARRY LUDWIG, (520) 847-2500 or Larry_Ludwig@nps.gov.*

MARCH 19 & 26: (7 pm)

🗺️ Talks: History of the Civilian Conservation Corps at Chiricahua National Monument. Sponsored by Chiricahua National Monument-NPS. Meet at Chiricahua NM Campground, 12856 E. Rhyolite Creek Rd. **CONTACT: KATE NEILSON, (520) 824-3560, ext. 303 or Kathrine_Neilsen@nps.gov.**

MARCH 27: (10 am)

🗺️ Tour: The Battle of Apache Pass Site. Sponsored by Fort Bowie National Historic Site-NPS. Learn about the archaeology associated with this significant event in the Apache Indian Wars. The tour will be led by park ranger, Larry Ludwig, an expert on the Apache Wars and the archaeology of Fort Bowie. Meet at Fort Bowie trailhead parking lot (13 miles south of the town of Bowie on Apache Pass Rd.). Bring water, hiking shoes, sun protection and lunch. Call for reservations. **CONTACT: LARRY LUDWIG, (520) 847-2500 or Larry_Ludwig@nps.gov.**

WESTERN ARIZONA

LAKE HAVASU

THURSDAY DAYS IN MARCH: (10 am – Noon and 1 - 3 pm)

🗺️ Guided Tours: Historic Swansea Mining Townsite. Sponsored by BLM, Colorado River District, Lake Havasu Field Office. See remnants of a small town that began 100 years ago and became known for its copper mining and smelter. South of Parker, take Highway 95 to Shea Road East and follow signs to Swansea (graded dirt roads until last 5 miles). High clearance vehicle helpful, but not required. Bring water and appropriate hiking shoes. **CONTACT: DR. GEORGE SHANNON, (928) 505-1255 or george_shannon@blm.gov. MIKE RIDDLE, (928) 716-2723 or michael_riddle@blm.gov.**

CONTACT INFORMATION

For more information about Arizona Archaeology and Heritage Awareness Month, contact the State Historic Preservation Office, Arizona State Parks, at (602) 542-4009.

ARCHAEOLOGICAL SITE ETIQUETTE GUIDE

State Historic Preservation Office
Arizona State Parks (602-542-4009)

Welcome to the past! Arizona contains some of the nations — and indeed the worlds — greatest archaeological sites. Please take a few minutes to familiarize yourself with this site etiquette guide that will facilitate an enjoyable visit for you, AND for others who follow you!

Archaeological sites in Arizona are the remains of a long occupation of prehistoric, protohistoric, and historic cultures. They are a fragile and non-renewable resource. You are responsible for the stewardship of these ruins, both for public enjoyment and education, and for preserving their scientific values. The following guidelines will help you minimize impacts to archaeological sites:

1. Walls are fragile and continually deteriorating. That is why they are called “ruins.” **Climbing, sitting or standing on walls can damage them. Also, picking up or moving rocks alters the walls forever.**
2. Artifacts, where they lay, tell a story. Once they are moved, a piece of the past is destroyed forever. **Digging, removing artifacts, or piling them up changes what can be learned from these pieces of the past.**
3. Cultural deposits, including the soil on an archaeological site, are important for scientific tests and are used in reconstructing past environments. For instance, from such information we can learn what kinds of plants were be used by the past inhabitants. **Please carry out any trash (especially organic remains) you may have while visiting a site.**
4. Fragile desert plants and soils that are part of archaeological sites are destroyed when you stray from the trail. Also, snakes and other small desert animals make their homes in the bushes and under rocks and in burrows . . . you may disturb them. **Please stay on trails . . . they are there for your protection and the protection of fragile cultural remains.**
5. Fire destroys prehistoric organic materials, ruins the dating potential of artifacts, and damages or even destroys rock art. **Fires, use of candles, or smoking should not occur at archaeological sites.**

6. Oils from even the cleanest hands can cause deterioration of prehistoric drawings and ruin the dating potential for future scientists trying to unravel the meaning of symbols painted and pecked on stone.
Please refrain from touching rock art.
7. Graffiti (drawing/painting, scratching, and carving) is destructive and can destroy rock art, as well as deface wooden/stone buildings.
Graffiti destroys rock art as well as other values.
8. Pets damage sites by digging, urinating and defecating in them. They can destroy fragile cultural deposits and frighten other visitors and native animals.
Please do not bring pets onto archaeological sites.

Finally, be aware of your surroundings when you are outdoors. Avoid driving or riding your bicycle through sites; pitching your camp in a site; dismantling historic buildings for firewood or any other use; and, camping, or making campfires, in historic buildings.

All archaeological sites on public (federal and state) land in Arizona are protected by the Archaeological Resources Protection Act and state laws that prohibit digging, removing artifacts, damaging and/or defacing archaeological resources; these laws provide for both felony and misdemeanor charges with jail time, confiscation of property, and large fines. Arizona state law also protects graves (human remains) and grave goods located on state and private land.

If you see people vandalizing sites, please report it as soon as possible to the public land manager (e.g., the Forest Service, the Arizona State Land Department, etc.) or their law enforcement entity.

Archaeological site locations are also protected under federal and state laws. Please do not disclose information about where sites are located, as it could potentially lead to those sites being vandalized or looted.

By following these simple guidelines, **YOU** can help preserve these unique and fragile remains of **OUR** American heritage. Remember, **THE FUTURE OF THE PAST DEPENDS ON YOU!** Thanks for your cooperation, and we hope that you enjoy visiting archaeological sites in Arizona!

Archaeology and Historic Preservation Web Sites

Arizona-Specific Web Sites:

Arizona State Historic Preservation Office
www.azstateparks.com

Arizona Archaeological Council
www.arizonaarchaeologicalcouncil.org

Arizona Archaeological Society
www.AzArchSoc.org

Pueblo Grande Museum
www.pueblogrande.com

Southwest Archaeology Team
www.southwestarchaeologyteam.org

Arizona Preservation Foundation
www.azpreservation.org

Statewide Historic Preservation Conference
www.azpreservation.com

General Web Sites on Archaeology:

Archaeology at About.com
www.archaeology.about.com

Archaeology Channel
www.archaeologychannel.org

Archaeology's DIG Magazine
www.digonsite.com

Archaeological Institute of America
www.archaeological.org

Archaeology Magazine
www.archaeology.org

National Park Service's "Links to the Past"
www.cr.nps.gov

National Trust for Historic Preservation
www.nationaltrust.org

Preservation Directory
www.preservationdirectory.com

US Forest Service's "Passport in Time"
www.passportintime.com

GET INVOLVED IN ARIZONA ARCHAEOLOGY!!!

The Arizona Site Steward Program

The Arizona Site Steward Program is sponsored by the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) and is an organization of volunteers that aid the public land managers of Arizona by visiting prehistoric and historic archaeological and paleontological sites on public land and reporting any destruction or vandalism that they note. In addition to this site monitoring, Site Stewards are also active in public education through outreach activities. Site Stewards are selected, trained, and certified by the SHPO and the Archaeology Advisory Commission.

If you are interested in volunteering as a Site Steward, please contact:

Site Steward Program Coordinator
State Historic Preservation Office
1300 W. Washington
Phoenix, AZ 85007
(602) 542-4174
www.azstateparks.com

The Southwest Archaeology Team, Inc.

The Southwest Archaeology Team, Inc. (SWAT) is affiliated with the Mesa Southwest Museum and is a group of volunteers who have the following goals:

- to promote stewardship and conservation of our archaeological heritage;
- to promote the stabilization and preservations of historic and prehistoric sites;
- to have an emergency archaeological crew to survey or excavate sites that might be lost if volunteers do not assist with the project;
- to maintain a membership of archaeologists to supervise the documentation and analysis of the archaeological discoveries; and
- to involve the public and provide educational opportunities for adults and children.

Information about SWAT can be found at the following web site: **www.southwestarchaeologyteam.org**. Or contact:

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The Arizona Archaeological Society

The Arizona Archaeological Society (AAS) was founded in 1964 to promote and increase public awareness regarding our national archaeological and cultural resources. The goal of the AAS is to protect these antiquities by discouraging exploitation of archaeological resources. AAS has a nationally known training program to train and certify avocational archaeologists who can then work with professional archaeologists. AAS also conducts summer field schools with professionals using research, excavations, and rock art recording techniques.

To join and participate in the AAS, visit our web site at **www.AzArchSoc.org**, or contact the State President, Sylvia Lesko at **slesko@cox.net**.

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